# **EXHIBIT 64**

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]-RE: DAFHoldCo information request

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#### Paul-

I appreciate your email, and your willingness to find a framework to resolve the concerns, but am flummoxed by your, "struggle" to understand our growing frustration.

I do not believe it should be difficult to comprehend the request for transparency around \$270 million dollars you control as a fiduciary for the benefit of charities in Dallas, Kansas City, and Santa Barbara. Indeed, these odd legal and rhetorical machinations of yours and Mr. Patrick miss the point. These monies are for improving the quality of life of children, building pathways for everyone to have a fair opportunity to succeed, and—among other things—creating a lasting impact on young minds by fostering a love for education. They are not meant to pay you and Mr. Patrick millions in director fees. If I'm wrong, please educate me.

Your failure to be forthcoming about the underlying assets, the investment philosophy of the fund, and the "revised" governance, have caused me to start digging. I am not only a lawyer but also a Certified Fraud Examiner and a Certified Compliance & Ethics

Professional, and what I have found is nothing short of alarming.

- appeared to be on track to exceed \$5 million, which was an over 12,000 percent increase—up from zero. It is hard to fathom what you and Mr. Patrick have changed or contributed to the funds to warrant such a drastic change in director fees. I could be wrong, but if so, then tell me why. What is the dramatic value add?
- As I understand it, the annualized expenses of the funds were on pace to outstrip the actual return on the investments. So I am at a loss as to how you can justify running the fund at a loss while apparently paying the directors handsomely and freezing Supporting Organizations (the shareholders) out of basic information.

On November 6, 2024, we had an introductory video call with Doug Mancino, who announced himself as Compliance Counsel. But no details of the assets or financial condition of the funds were communicated.

On November 20, 2024, we had another video call with folks from your side, including ValueScope, and it was informative; however, the thrust of the presentation was why you refused proposed investments from NexPoint. It had nothing to do with the underlying assets and financial conditions of the fund. This was perplexing as ValueScope has been the valuation firm for the fund for years; yet they were silent about the condition of the fund.

On December 11, 2024, we had a video call with you, Doug Mancino, and your Cayman counsel. The thrust of that discussion was your vision of running the fund more as an institutional investment vehicle and a promise to provide financial information in the future. But the presentation again lacked any information on the underlying assets and financial conditions of the fund. It did, however, include a discussion that the Supporting Orgs had no right to information under the structure of the funds.

Shortly after the December 11 call, we received your first demand to withdraw our concerns about the governance of the funds, and it also advanced that if the Supporting Organizations wanted more

transparency they must sign a non-disclosure agreement with a liquidated damages clause. Which is, quite frankly, ridiculous.

In sum, and as I understand the thread running through the communications, your continuing posture is the following. The Supporting Orgs have no right to information. And, if the Supporting Organizations want more information, they must both recant their governance concerns and then sign the NDA. Those are both coercive non-starters. Again, if I'm wrong please tell me how.

Finally, and this I find perhaps the most egregious, I just discovered through my own research that Mark Patrick cancelled the Delaware charter of Charitable DAF GP, LLC on October 30, 2024 and rechartered it in Cayman. I can find no legitimate reason to recharter the general partner, and instead believe it to be a move to further insulate Mr. Patrick's and your actions by retreating from jurisdiction in the United States and offshore the entity in its entirety. If I've misunderstood, please let me know in detail how, but I remain skeptical. Further, in the calls listed above, not one representative from your side spoke up to explain, or even mention, the rechartering of the general partner. That is a striking repeated omission.

So the change of tone should not provide any struggle to puzzle through. Over the last three months, you have not provided any information about the assets and financial health of the fund. You have demanded that information only flows under an NDA with liquidated damages. You continually issue a veiled threat that information is a privilege not a right under the agreements. Expenses have gone through the roof, and the governance has been changed to further insulate it in a foreign jurisdiction. To say the least, I see red flags all over this situation, but have not received any facts, yet, that tell me they are unwarranted.

If I'm wrong, fine. It won't be the first time. But this also isn't my first rodeo, and the way to diffuse this is through immediate full transparency and facts. So if I've misunderstood, and your intent is to provide a fully transparent briefing to the Supporting Organizations without coercive caveats, then we stand ready to have that conversation after receiving the basic financial information requested by Julie Diaz in her January 23, 2025 email.

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## [External email]

Dear Mike.

We remain open to finding a framework within which we can resolve your clients' concerns. I don't want to repeat points already made in my email dated 30th January 2025, but our understanding was that we were to prepare a presentation for the Foundations to address these concerns. This was a course of action suggested by you in our call last year and one which we thought was very sensible. We are struggling to understand what happened between 21st January (when David Rosenburg, from your firm, confirmed a video conference would be acceptable) and 23rd January when an email was sent to Mark's old email address repeating various allegations that we were going to address in the presentation.

We remain committed to trying to work with your clients and would be grateful if you could confirm your clients' willingness to do so.

Many thanks,
Paul.

From: Michael.Stockham@hklaw.com <Michael.Stockham@hklaw.com> Sent: Friday, January 31, 2025 3:32 PM

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#### Paul-

I have added Doug Mancino to this email chain, as you are represented by counsel, I believe it appropriate to loop him in for this communication. I also told you that I had a tendency toward the blunt.

I am appalled by your response. As fiduciaries, you and Mr. Patrick manage \$270 million in assets for the benefit of charities that support the most vulnerable in their communities. Whatever your side's obvious antagonism to Mr. Dondero, the fact remains that the underlying assets are ultimately for these charitable missions. And your focus and mission should be not only to ensure the success of the investments, but transparency to the ultimate beneficiaries. The assets are for their benefit, not Mr. Dondero, not Mr. Patrick, and not you.

The Supporting Organizations have legitimate concerns. The last information they received from SEI in July of 2024 — before Mr. Patrick shut down that line of communication and information — showed legal expenses had increased to \$6 million in the first six months of 2024 compared to \$4 million for all of 2022. If annualized, and at that pace, legal expenses appeared to be on path to exceed \$12 million for 2024. That's a 300% increase. Director fees skyrocketed from \$40 thousand in 2022 to \$2.25 million in the first six months of 2024. Again, annualized, these fees are on a path to exceed \$5 million in 2024. That is a 12,400% increase. Yet, no information has been provided by you

and Mr. Patrick, no clarity given. It appears that total expenses for 2024, if annualized, were on pace to exceed \$36 million. Even if you earned a return of 10 percent on the \$270 million invested, the fund would be at \$11 million of negative revenue for 2024. If the information we received is wrong, then please explain why, and provide the detailed information to disabuse us of these concerns. But telling us we have no legal right to the answers is not workable.

Upon Mr. Patrick taking control, you and he should have immediately engaged with the Supporting Organizations to explain the transition, your plans, and how the assets are being managed. I would have thought that a fiduciary would have engaged in a campaign of maximum transparency and disclosure. Instead, as to the actual financial condition of the assets, you have been opaque at best and purposefully elusive at worse, and your email below retreats into statements about having no legal obligation to disclose the activities of the funds. And it seems to condition further transparency on the Supporting Organizations recanting their earlier expressed concerns. I think you should reconsider such an entrenchment.

The Supporting Organizations have no interest in the animosity or dysfunction between Mr. Patrick and Mr. Dondero. What they do have an interest in, is an active campaign by you and Mr. Patrick to continue to manage the assets in a shroud of mystery, dripping out details and information whenever you deem it appropriate. To do so simply proves our concerns that the governance structure of these entities is broken.

Yes, it is true that we have been in discussions for months about transparency, and you provided some information. However, what has been ignored are the repeated requests for a simple set of financials. But how hard is it to create a short PowerPoint on the current state of financial statements, a simple diagram of the alleged new governance structure (who are the advisory board members?), your visions for the funds, and then provide a one-hour briefing to the Supporting Organizations? If you are truly managing the funds to the institutional-investor standards represented in our call, these details should be at your fingertips. Yet somehow this has all devolved into delays and posturing related to the dust up between Messrs. Dondero and Patrick.

That type of myopic thinking is not appropriate in this situation. The Supporting Organizations deserve

answers, and the transparency needs to happen sooner rather than later. And, the answer you provided, which essentially said that you can tell the organizations to pound sand and they should be grateful for the information you do provide, is not acceptable.

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#### [External email]

Dear Julie,

I am an independent director of Charitable DAF HoldCo, Ltd. (which I believe is the entity you refer to as "DAF HoldCo" in your email dated 28 January 2025 (the "28 January Email")).

As an initial matter, I hope you will find the tone of this initial response to the 28 January Email conciliatory as I am keen to avoid any misunderstandings in circumstances where I had understood the next steps following the meetings between our respective legal

representatives (Douglas Mancino and David Rosenberg) in December last year was for us to present directly to the foundations/supporting organizations in order to address some of the concerns in the letter dated 11 November 2024 (the "11 November Letter"). This proposed presentation would supplement the two Zoom conference calls with your attorneys held by me and our independent valuation experts, ValueScope, in December last year as well as the ValueScope 9/30/24 report sent to you on 7 January that provided a balance sheet and information on all investment holdings.

As recently as 21 January 2025, David again confirmed that a Zoom conference call with yourselves would be an effective way to address your concerns and move forward in a cooperative manner.

Given our transparency and cooperation with the foundations/supporting organizations, as well as the agreed way forward, it was surprising to receive the 28 January Email which repeats some of the allegations in the 11 November Letter. Please note that neither Mark nor myself received your email dated 23 January 2025 given that it was sent to an out-of-use email address for Mark (which I understand he communicated to you and your assistant in person) and did not copy me. Therefore, the basis of the concerns and request to wind-up expressed in the 28 January Email, appears to be the single failure to respond to an email that was sent to a defunct email address. Having now been reminded that the email address is not functional, I hope you can take some comfort that you were not being ignored. However, given the content and tone of the 28 January Email and David's request to progress the direct presentation to the foundations/supporting organizations only 7 days prior on 21 January 2025, there seems to be a disconnect between the conciliatory approach adopted in the latter and the more aggressive position set out in the former.

For our part, at this stage we are more than happy to continue to engage with the foundations/supporting organizations in an

effort to provide clarity on investments and the DAF HoldCo governance structure.

I must, however, record that we have some growing concern around the content and circumstances your email of 23 January 2025, specifically that it might be interpreted as a premise to attempt to inappropriately exercise control over DAF HoldCo and/or its assets. As a reminder, when the participating shares in DAF HoldCo were issued to the supporting organizations, there was no conveyance of voting rights or control, and it has always been well understood that such shares did not convey voting rights or control. In particular, without waiving applicable privileges, we are advised that any attempt to exert control of DAF HoldCo or its assets by James Dondero would be both inappropriate, unlawful and inconsistent with DAF HoldCo's charitable mission. We are deeply concerned that this outreach, which began following Mark's resignation from Skyview in October 2024, may be the supporting organizations acting as proxy for Mr. Dondero. We hope we are wrong, but the supporting organizations have received the same ValueScope quarterly financial reports and charitable distributions over time without change and without issue.

Please let us know if you are prepared to withdraw the allegations made in the 11 November Letter and the 23 and 28 January Emails and are content to proceed with our proposed delivery of the presentation which we are confident will provide a complete answer to your concerns.

Finally, as a matter of record, it is important that I outline the following:

The 11 November 2024 Letter was not directly sent to me. I received it from Charitable DAF HoldCo's US attorneys who had, in turn, received it from a US law firm acting for Mr. Dondero. As set out above, this supports our belief, which is also based on other actions we have seen to date, that Mr. Dondero is seeking to improperly

exerting influence over the foundations and supporting organizations for self-serving purposes to the detriment of DAF HoldCo, the foundations and supporting organizations.

We note that your communications to date contain several misstatements of fact and we reject all of your allegations. DAF HoldCo holds itself to the highest standards in achieving its goal of maximizing returns in risk-adjusted assets to achieve its charitable objectives. It is important to underline that we have policies and procedures in place to preserve DAF HoldCo's independence and are advised by best-in-class, independent experts.

Whilst we are cooperating with the foundations/supporting organizations to provide additional information we have no legal obligation to do so (which is not disputed). In no way should our cooperation be construed as an implicit acknowledgment of any duty to continue providing information to you or as a waiver of any DAF HoldCo's rights and remedies.

We look forward to hearing from you in relation to the proposed presentation and withdrawal of the allegations.

Kind regards,

Paul.

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#### Mark and Paul-

We have great concern that our reasonable requests below have not been acknowledged. This failure to provide the courtesy of a response continues a pattern of a lack of communication and transparency as to assets and financials of DAF HoldCo under your stewardship. These failures exacerbate the concerns we previously communicated in our letter to Paul in November 2024 (copy attached), which highlighted our concerns that the governance of the DAF HoldCo has failed in its current structure. The situation as it now stands is untenable. The lack of engagement on the true financial condition of the DAF HoldCo and the underlying assets leads us to believe that you have rejected our request to revise the governance of the DAF HoldCo and related structure. As such we are requesting that DAF HoldCo and the related entities be wound up and the underlying assets be distributed in kind to the Supporting Organizations so they can manage those assets for the benefit of the charities and the communities they serve. As previously requested, until these issues are resolved, we are insisting that you do not dissipate the assets further.

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Hi Mark -

Since we spoke last fall, the three CEOs from Santa Barbara, Kansas City, and Dallas community foundations (copied here) were discussing our plans for 2025 and wanted to reach out to you to check in on the DAFHoldCo. We have been discussing the need for a better understanding of the assets and thought it would be helpful if you could provide us with several detailed reports now that the new structure is in place.

#### Specifically, could you send:

- Income Statements for the last for years: A
  complete set of income statements (or profit
  and loss statements) for the last four fiscal
  years (2021-2024), including any
  supplemental notes or breakdowns that
  provide insight into revenue streams and
  expenses
- Listing of Underlying Assets: A detailed listing of the underlying assets held by DAF HoldCo, including both tangible and intangible assets. This should include any real estate, investments, intellectual property, or other significant assets that contribute to the company's operations or value.
- Audited Financial Statements: The most recent audited financial statements for DAFHoldCo, including the balance sheet, statement of cash flows, and any related auditor's reports. Please include any supplementary schedules or disclosures that are typically associated with these statements.
- Current Structure of DAFHoldCo
   Operations: An up-to-date organizational chart or structural overview detailing the key divisions, subsidiaries, and any relevant operational or financial entities that comprise the DAFHoldCo structure, including any significant changes that may have occurred over the last few years.

As you can appreciate, our job as leaders of our respective community foundations is to ensure proper stewardship of the charitable assets that are owned by our organizations. We are grateful for the decade plus of charitable investments that we have been able to make from the proceeds of the DAFHoldCo and would like to have confidence that this vehicle will continue to grow and make

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additional meaningful contributions to our respective communities.

Please let us know your ability to get this information to us by Feb. 10, 2025.

Thank you and happy New Year.



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